Abstract of the Disclosure

A vehicle trim panel/radiator element combination is provided comprising a first substrate having at least one rib and at least one opening adjacent to the rib. The first substrate defines a vehicle interior trim panel. A multi-layer second substrate is located so as to extend at least partially over the opening, is secured to the first substrate rib, and defines a speaker radiator element. Further provided is a vehicle trim panel/radiator element integral unit comprising a multi-layer substrate. The substrate is formed so as to have a first region compressed to a first thickness and a second region having a second thickness, which is greater than the first thickness. The first region defines a speaker radiator element.